

**SENATE BILL NO. 2334**  
**with Conference Committee Amendments**  
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Introduced by

Senators Bekkedahl, Sorvaag, Wanzek

Representatives Brandenburg, Kempenich

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 57-39.2 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to a large facility development fund; to amend and reenact subsection 2  
3 of section 57-39.2-04.15 and section 57-39.2-26 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to  
4 a sales tax exemption for a fertilizer plant and allocation of sales tax revenue; to provide a  
5 continuing appropriation; to provide for a legislative management report; and to provide an  
6 expiration date.

7 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

8 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 2 of section 57-39.2-04.15 of the North Dakota  
9 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

10 2. ~~On or before June 30, 2023, the~~The owner of the fertilizer or chemical processing  
11 plant must receive from the department of environmental quality an air quality permit  
12 or a notice that the air quality permit application is complete. The owner shall provide  
13 this documentation to the tax commissioner to qualify for the exemption under this  
14 section. Denial, expiration, or revocation of a permit terminates the exemption under  
15 this section.

16 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 57-39.2-26 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
17 amended and reenacted as follows:

18 **57-39.2-26. Allocation of revenue.**

19 Except as provided by sections 57-39.2-26.1 ~~and~~, 57-39.2-26.2, 57-39.2-26.3, and section 3  
20 of this Act, all moneys collected and received under this chapter must be paid into the state  
21 treasury and must be credited by the state treasurer to the general fund. Moneys deposited with  
22 the commissioner as security for the payment of tax, penalties, or costs due must be deposited  
23 and accounted for as provided in subsection 3 of section 57-39.2-12.

1       **SECTION 3.** A new section to chapter 57-39.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
2 and enacted as follows:

3       **Large facility development fund - State treasurer - Continuing appropriation - Report.**

- 4       1. There is created in the state treasury the large facility development fund. The fund  
5 consists of all moneys transferred to the fund under subsection 2. All moneys in the  
6 fund are appropriated to the state treasurer on a continuing basis for the purpose of  
7 providing distributions to an eligible county or city.
- 8       2. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, after the allocations under sections  
9 57-39.2-26.1, 57-39.2-26.2, and 57-39.2-26.3, a portion of sales, gross receipts, and  
10 use tax collections equal to the amount under subsection 3 must be deposited by the  
11 state treasurer in the large facility development fund as needed. The tax commissioner  
12 shall calculate the amount needed for distribution under subsection 3 and shall certify  
13 to the state treasurer the portion of sales, gross receipts, and use tax net revenues  
14 that must be deposited in the fund to provide for the distribution.
- 15       3. Within thirty days after construction begins on the large facility, the state treasurer  
16 shall distribute to a county or city an amount equal to one percent of up to two billion  
17 dollars of estimated cost of tangible property eligible for a tax exemption under section  
18 57-39.2-04.15 used in the construction of the large facility if:
- 19           a. The county or city is levying a local sales tax for infrastructure, public safety, or  
20 economic development; and
- 21           b. The county in which the large facility is located has a hub city and received at  
22 least thirty million dollars of oil and gas gross production tax revenue allocations  
23 under section 57-51-15 from September 1, 2021, through August 31, 2022.
- 24       4. To qualify for the distribution under subsection 3, the large facility must:
- 25           a. Be a new fertilizer or chemical processing plant that is eligible for a tax exemption  
26 under section 57-39.2-04.15;
- 27           b. Begin construction after July 1, 2023; and
- 28           c. Have an estimated total cost of at least one billion dollars.
- 29       5. A county or city may receive only one distribution under subsection 3.
- 30       6. If the large facility is within city limits, only a city is eligible to receive a distribution  
31 under subsection 3.

- 1        7. The owner of the large facility shall provide information and documentation to the tax  
2        commissioner to determine the estimated cost of the tangible property and the  
3        estimated total cost of the large facility for calculations under this section.
- 4        8. If a county or city receives a distribution from the fund, the county or city shall provide  
5        at least one report to the legislative management on the use of the funding. The report  
6        must include the amount of funding received and spent by the county or city, including  
7        an itemized list of the amounts spent and a description of how the funding was used  
8        by the county or city.

9        **SECTION 4. EXPIRATION DATE.** Sections 2 and 3 of this Act are effective through  
10       June 30, 2027, and after that date are ineffective.